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FANWOOD.

Baccalaureate Sermon by Dr. I. L. Peet.

VACATION JOTTINGS

Happenings Observed by the Reporter.

From our Fanwood Correspondent.

On Sunday afternoon, June 6th, the Emeritus Principal, Isaac Lewis Peet, LL.D., delivered the Baccalaureate Sermon. Afterwards the sermon was printed and distributed among the pupils. Thinking that graduates and former pupils of this institution and the readers in general will be glad to read it, I give it in full:

GENESIS 9: 13 and 16.—"I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth. And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is upon the earth."

One day during the past month, after forty-eight hours of incessant rain, while I was paying a visit in the country, there broke upon my vision the gorgeous spectacle of a rainbow in the east. This phenomenon, as you know, is caused by the refraction and reflection of the sun's rays in drops of falling water, and is composed of the seven primary colors—violet, indigo, blue, green, yellow, orange and red—appearing in concentric bands in an arch upon the sky.

As I thought how Noah must have rejoiced at this sight, a picture of the scene came before my mind. With his precious household he had just gone forth of the ark in which they had been confined for a year and a month. Gathered around the altar which he had built, he and his family were in the act of paying appropriate worship to the Divine Being, when a voice from Heaven was heard giving the assurance in emphatic words that the earth should never again be destroyed by a flood. Then the prevailing mists were gathered into a cloud, and dissolved in rain, the sun so long hidden from human view, shone forth in dazzling brightness, and a beautiful arch of resplendent colors made its appearance in the sky. At this moment, the concluding words were heard, "This is token of the covenant which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth."

To Noah it was not only the end of a long period of gloom and the harbinger of bright days to follow, but it was the sign and seal of the first covenant God ever made with man.

To me, it was the emblem of hope and a promise that my prayers should be answered in behalf of those I leave behind me, and as Noah took of every clean beast and every clean fowl and offered burnt offerings upon the altar, so I involuntarily poured forth the sincerest aspirations of my soul.

We have in our daily life tokens of God's love and of the love of the others. The repeated miracle of the sunrise after a night of refreshing sleep, should awaken gratitude in our hearts. It is then that new life courses through our veins and we feel prepared for the duties of the day.

The seasons in their order present a different garb as they succeed each other. The tender green and delicate foliage of spring, the full bloom of summer, the dark and splendid hues of autumn and the shroud of winter, are tokens of the passing year.

Letters from home are tokens of your parents' continued affection.

Each recurring duty of the school is a token that your life of preparation is progressing: and the diploma which you receive at the end of your school course, is a token that the time of preparation is past

and that the period of actual responsible life has begun.

Tokens are memorials, in which sense they are expressions of love, gratitude, and reverence. They sometimes take the form of days, in which great events are commemorated and great sentiments are expressed. In this institution, taking them in their order, we have: The 19th of November, the birthday of the late Dr. H. P. Peet, on which are recalled the names and characteristics of the more prominent persons who, as directors, officers, teachers and even pupils, have conferred honor upon this Institution; the fourth of December, the anniversary of our removal from 50th Street, a day fraught with many associations; Christmas, the day of joy and gladness, which reminds us of the coming into the world of the Saviour of mankind;—New Year's Day, which marks the beginning of a new period of twelve successive months to be numbered on the calendar of history as a portion of the century;—Lincoln's Birthday, and Washington's Birthday, when are brought to mind, under the latter name the founders, and under the former name the saviours of our nation;—Arbor Day, on which a new tree is added to the "groves" which "Were God's first temples;"—Memorial Day, dedicated to the memory of those who have died for their country;—and the Fourth of July, our great National holiday, on which was originally proclaimed "Liberty to Mankind."

Tokens again take the form of monuments and statues. In the former a great portion of the World's history has been written, and the latter serve to remind us of the personality of the great men whose thoughts and deeds were illustrious.

But there are no tokens which concern us more than those which relate to our well-being, both in this life and in the life which is to come. They are associated with religion, and as such should be cherished above all others. The first great token is the Cross of Christ which, reminds us of God's promise that, for the sake of Him who died thereon, our sins shall be forgiven, and we shall obtain eternal life. It is the token of God's mercy; but for this we should have no hope. If, in sorrow for our sins, we look upon this, we shall have the assurance of pardon and of hope. The sun of righteousness shining through our tears will create a rainbow such as Noah looked upon when the natural sun shone through the drops of rain.

Next comes Baptism, which is a token of the washing away of our sinful nature by the influence of the Holy Spirit whereby we are born again, and whereas, we were at one time inclined to do evil, we are thenceforward inclined to do well, to love the Lord our God with all our heart and soul and strength, and our neighbor as ourselves. This new tendency is called regeneration, and is followed by sanctification which leads us gradually to become better and better till we have reached that point where we should have been if we had never sinned.

After this we have the memorial of the Lord's Supper, instituted by our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, as He was about to leave this world of sin and sorrow. At this we partake of the broken bread which is a token of our Saviour's body broken for us, and of the poured-out wine which is a token of His blood shed for the remission of our sins.

Another religious token is the wedding ring which, by its shape, signifies the unending character of the marriage relation. Then we have the pure white lilies of Easter when our Lord rose from the dead, fitting tokens of the resurrection, as they appear at the season when Nature springs into new life after the long death-like sleep of Winter.

As this is the last Sabbath of your school year, it is proper that I should give a few words of advice to those who stand upon the threshold of a new period of existence, a period for which your whole life hitherto has been but a season of preparation.

First:—The only safe course is to commit yourselves and your whole life to the keeping of God.

It is a fitting time to remember his mercies, to repent of your sins, and to ask for forgiveness in the name of Jesus Christ. Pray for the indwelling influences of the Holy Spirit, that you may be regenerated and sanctified. He will hear your prayer, for He has said through the lips of his Son, "Seek and ye shall find." "Knock and it shall be opened unto you." "He that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out." "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

Second:—Under these circumstances unite yourselves with the Church of Christ. Naturally you will become confirmed by some bishop or minister in the denomination in which you were baptized, but if you have not been, so baptized it would be wise for you to follow the wishes of your parents if they are religious people. It will be your own act, however, and you must decide prayerfully what you owe to your own belief. The main thing is that you should acknowledge Christ before men, and that you should come under the care of a pastor, and be associated with people who shall sympathize with you, and help you in maintaining a strictly religious life. You should, in this connection, aim to obey the whole law of God, and never to bring reproach upon His people. Let your lives be pure, honorable, honest, and benevolent. Obey the whole moral law as it has been interpreted by your Saviour.

Third:—Let there be some things that you can never do. Never be mean; never tell a lie; never be jealous; never indulge in overweening pride, vanity, or self conceit.

Fourth:—Guard against temptation. There is none more insidious than that of indulging in intoxicating drinks. The young person who sets out with the determination of being a total abstainer from their use is much safer in all the relations of life. He is less liable to disease of mind or body, he will not be so apt to do and say foolish things, or to perform acts for which he will be sorry to his dying day. Another temptation which should be watched for with dread is that to sudden anger. It has been called "a short madness," and we should be careful to keep ourselves under control when it excites us.

Fifth:—Begin and end each day with reading the Bible and with prayer. "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not to thine own understanding; in all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths." Prov. 3: 5-6.

Sixth:—Keep holy the Sabbath Day. This you owe both to God and yourselves. Attend church whenever you can, and though you may not follow the services you will find yourselves in the place devoted to the worship of God, in which you can join both in reverence and with the heart.

Seventh:—"Do with your might whatsoever your hand findeth to do." Find some employment, and stick to it faithfully and industriously. The trade which you have learned in the Institution will probably be your first if not your last resource. Perfect yourself in it. Be known as a thoroughly skillful workman, so that your services will always be in demand.

Eighth:—Obey the laws of health, in eating, in drinking, in sleeping, and in physical exercise. At the same time cultivate hopefulness and equanimity. All these things lead to long life.

Ninth:—Cultivate the mind, both by reading and writing, and thinking and reflecting. Commit something to memory every day, if it be but a line, and review it constantly that it may ever be with you. What we remember may occupy our thoughts when our eyes are closed or when we have no books at hand.

Tenth:—Be polite to others, and seek to gain their good will by your pleasant manners, cheerful conduct and obliging disposition. Do not keep yourselves aloof from good society, but enter heartily into those enjoyments which, if taken in moderation, promote happiness in life.

Eleventh:—Be frugal. Divide up what you earn into several portions, first necessary expenses, second, a reserve for the savings bank, and third a contribution to benevolent purposes. System in this respect should be the rule of your life. It will enable you help others and to help yourselves. It will be a provision against the rainy day when you are out of work, and against old age when you are too feeble to perform it.

Twelfth:—Cultivate home ties. Be demonstrative in your affection for your parents, and let them feel that they will never be unloved or forgotten. The highest earthly reward is promised to filial piety, and this is but a type of that piety which recognizes God as our father, and to which is promised a home of eternal happiness in Heaven.

The foregoing injunctions may be summed-up in one word—loyalty—loyalty to the institution in which you have been educated; loyalty to your friends and teachers; loyalty to yourselves; loyalty to your employers; loyalty to your country; loyalty to your church; loyalty to your parents and family; loyalty to God.

In this respect never be recreant. Be known as one who can be trusted, one who can never be feared as a possible traitor. Judas Iscariot and Benedict Arnold were types of disloyalty.

The apostle Paul and Washington were types of its opposite. Of General Grant, the great military successor of Washington, it has been well said by one who knew him, "His predominant trait of character was loyalty. In this respect he never failed, and it made his life a grand success." May this be said of you, and may it secure to you the welcome plaudits: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

With the exodus of the teachers and pupils for their homes to spend the summer vacation, the term of '97 was brought to a close. Despite the fact that it rained for four consecutive days, every one was so eager to get away, that they braved the elements. There are now remaining here at the present writing twenty-one boys and fifteen girls.

The contractor who is laying a new sewer under the sidewalk on Eleventh Avenue, has to do considerable blasting on account of the rocky condition of the place. On Thursday afternoon, while making a premature blast, the water-pipe of the institution that connects with the Croton, to supply this place with water, was broken by the concussion, and we were deprived of water for half an hour, till repairs were made.

Tutor C. W. Van Tassel, Jr., left for his month's vacation on Friday last.

Work has already commenced on cleaning the interior of the buildings, the first to receive attention is the school rooms.

Mr. E. A. Hodgson, had the good fortune of seeing Hoy, the deaf-mute baseball player, play with the Giants on the Polo Grounds last Thursday afternoon.

Some idea can be gained, from what it is to run a school of the size of this, when it required the institution work horse to make five trips to the dump the rubbish that had been gathered up in all parts of the buildings last Saturday.

Charles Keiserwetter, a former pupil here, who has been living in Florida pursuing his occupation as a painter and decorator, was up here a few days ago. One was amazed at the remarkable progress he has made in mastering good English. Instead of using signs too frequently, he spelled off his ideas as clear as a semi-mute. It was interesting to watch him narrate his experience in shooting alligators on St. Johns River, in the land of flowers.

Prof. Fox was present at the closing exercises of the Trenton, N. J., school, on Thursday last.

Arthur Izquierdo, of Caracas, Venezuela, a pupil here, sailed on Wednesday, the 16th of this month, for his home, perhaps never again to return as a pupil.

Miss Mary Lewis, matron in charge of the laundry, sails per S. S. Majestic of the White Star Line, the latter part of July, for Europe, to visit her parents, who reside in Kilkenny, Ireland.

Prof. W. G. Jones preached Sunday to the few pupils remaining here, in the girls' sitting room.

Mr. J. W. Jaynes, in company with his uncle, was a caller on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. J. Goor, of Maspeth, L. I., was another caller, and in his usual vein of humor told stories to a group of the boys.

Herman Heerd, one of our pupils, was seen astride a tandem, passing the grounds Sunday afternoon.

In a former letter to the JOURNAL, we made mention of the construction of a trolley road on Kingsbridge Road, to run from 162d Street and 10th Avenue, to Yonkers, in connection with the cable cars of the 3d Avenue road. Work was delayed, owing to an injunction pending a decision of the courts. The Court of Appeals has handed down a decision, giving a permanent injunction against the company. This means there will be no trolley road until there is some way around the in-junk-shum.

Friday, June 4th, Physical Director Cook took John Keiser out for a sail on the Hudson. He also tried to initiate him in the mysteries of managing that slippery craft. There was hardly a breath of wind stirring as the sails hung limp. The boat drifted with the tide till near the canal that connects the Harlem River with the Hudson River, then—well! it blew like great guns. Mr. Cook headed in the direction of Yonkers. The sun was blazing hot, and a stop was made at what proved to be a bore chemical manufacturing concern. The odor was so unsavory that they hastened to quit the vicinity, without replenishing their water supply, as they intended. The next stop was made at Mr. Cook's old camping grounds, nine miles up and opposite Yonkers. Mr. Cook spent a few minutes in renewing old acquaintances. On the return the wind was against them, and here Mr. Cook's knowledge of sailing came into full play. The way he tacked and used up all the nautical phrases in the sea dogs' dictionary, and a variety of others besides, would turn any old tar green with envy. The distance between them and Mr. Wanner's boat house was quickly lessened. They were already past Inwood when a heavy shower came down, which drenched both to the skin. When it cleared up they tied their dripping clothes to the mast-sail, and waited for them to dry. They made the landing too soon, and the clothes were not dry either, but they had to put them on all the same. Keiser's back, arms and face were a sight to behold. The sun had turned them a fiery red and he experienced some difficulty in getting into his wet togs. As for Mr. Cook, he is probably a descendant of the great explorer, Captain Cook, and must have a hide like a rhinoceros, for the sun had no visible effect on him and he was laughing like all possessed at the grimaces Keiser was making while dressing.

W. G. S.

Greensburg, Pa.

Bicycle riding nowadays seems exceptionally popular among silent wheelmen in the community of Pittsburg. A healthful exercise.

Bob Hurst, of Irwin, last week came to Jeanette, on a visit to his married sister.

On the evening of the 24th ult., a social, under the auspices of St. Margaret's Mission, was held at the Parish house of Calvary Church, in East Liberty, and was in every particular a success. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather there was quite a number of persons present, a portion of them were hearing. The evening was pleasantly spent in various ways. The ever-jovial Col. Sawhill and Mr. M. Master entertained the audience with good-humored stories, and indeed everybody enjoyed themselves to the utmost. The Rev. Mann was among the jolly throng and talked socially

and pleasantly. Refreshments were served in good style, and then all dispersed, well pleased with the evening's entertainment.

Felix Hogenmiller accompanied his hearing friends, who are prominent merchants of Jeanette, on their steel flyers to Pittsburg, a distance of thirty miles, on a pleasant Sunday morning. Our young friend stayed with friends at Crafton until the following morning, when he returned home awheel. He reports the roads in pretty good condition for bicycling. He expects to take a spin to Irwin on Saturday, to witness the Greensburg-Irwin game, when ye local goes home.

Rev. Mr. Mann, of Cleveland, O., expects, if nothing serious prevents, to cross the "briny deep" about the 6th of July, where he will attend the Congress of the Deaf in Great Britain. We wish the reverend gentleman bon voyage.

Not long since, a deaf negro, whose name your scribe could not remember, turned up this way begging. He claims South Africa as his home, and could not do anything but write and read Hebrew. He is said to be the son of a Rabbi, the principal of a school in that far-off country. He was as black as the ace of spades.

We are looking forward with expectation to the near approach of a wedding.

IMPERATOR.

CALIFORNIA.

No one who has seen California—that is Southern California—only in imagination, would suspect that in such a paradise there could possibly lurk a serpent. Yet, it is even so! Even the Garden of Eden was not exempt from creeping things, the descendants of the viper which tempted Eve have never been wholly eliminated. In every garden, however beautiful, there has always been, and always will be, an uncanny reptile which feeds off unoffending mortals. Sometimes it is but a harmless specimen of its kind, insidious enough in the sight of man, but withal a very insignificant thing compared to another class of serpents, namely, that contemptuous compound, half humane, half viper, which delights in stirring up disturbances among its fellowmen!

Of such disagreeable beings, beautiful Los Angeles has her share. But although she would gladly be ridden of them if she could, still there remains some comforts for her in the thought that it is just such people who serve as a contrast to their betters—if there were no oddities, this would be a very commonplace world. We mortals are rather inclined toward melancholy. Therefore, we need more or less amusement now and then, especially that kind so generously furnished us by our own unbrotherly class, for nothing is so capable of provoking mirth as the frantic and grotesque attempts of an envious person to injure the reputation of those far above him in rank and intelligence. To those to whom nationality and reason are familiar companions, there is something very pitiful in the vainglorious attacks of narrow-minded persons against those more plentifully endowed in the way of sense and reason.

For one might as well try to pound intelligence into a block of granite, as to make an idiot and a nobody out of one whom it has pleased God to endow with sense and wisdom. Verily, southern California has her share of reptiles, but then, she has also her birds of paradise—sweet singers that live long after the former have starved and died in some out-of-the-way spot.

Dr. Louis Carlton Harmon finally dropped his anchor in Los Angeles. He lived in San Francisco for some fifteen years, and thinks that Los Angeles is the best place. He is a wealthy semi-mute. He called on the JOURNAL scribe recently, and the call was very pleasant.

It is rumored that Miss Minnie Huddleston, formerly of Missouri, has gone to San Francisco, and thence to Virginia, where she expects to remain for good.

The writer would like to know if

any of his Eastern friends and acquaintances deem it a nice piece of work for certain persons—whose names need not be mentioned,—simply because any one on reading this will easily recognize them, to drag out of pure spite and malice, not to mention envy and hatred—a well known, and respected lady who recently came to California from the East, into a court room, and there accuse her as well as two other well known deaf people, of petty crime of which any one who formerly knew her would instantly recognize the absurdity of her being guilty.

R. D. Livingston is now a "benedict." He was married on the 24th of May, to Miss Minnie May Strickler, of Mount Vernon, Illinois, well known in literary circles as a poet and author. They became friends and correspondents nearly three years ago, and their affections found their way to matrimony.

Miss Patty Presly, of Lompoc, and Mr. Llewellyn, of this city, formerly of Portland, Oregon, will be married probably some time in June.

Mrs. William Cook, with her little son, recently spent the day in Redondo—a very fine sea-shore resort.

Rev. Job Turner went East a few weeks ago. He was in town only an hour after his arrival from San Francisco.

Mrs. Emma Lea, leader of the deaf Sunday School at Immanuel Church, expects to visit friends in Missouri and Virginia this summer.

ANGELICA.

LOS ANGELES, June 15, '97.

THE SILENT STEED.

A regular meeting of the Silent Wheelmen was held on the 14th inst. President Soper was unable to attend, so his place as presiding officer was taken by Captain Le Clercq.

Among other business transacted was the appointment of Messrs. Capelli, O'Brien and Lounsbury, as a committee to arrange for a picnic and games in September. The committee have already secured Fort Wendel for Saturday, September 11th, and in due time will have tickets on sale. They propose to stir up things, as the organization is composed of the most of all the local organizations of Greater New York. A fine program will also be prepared, to suit young and old. Fine music and dancing for those who care, and besides the attraction will be something novel, as all the members will attend in their bicycle costume.

After the meeting five of the members, Messrs. Glynn, Lounsbury, T. W. Haight, Willie Long, A. Capelli, zig-zagged through Westchester, City Island, and other unknown places. No one brought a map. The appointed Captain failed to lead the party to the desired place, but exercised wise judgment by the fine roads he led the party. Indeed, with the exception of a hill a mile high, and the damaging of Mr. Lounsbury's hind wheel, the trip was fine a one. Altogether thirty-eight miles were covered in six hours.

Next Sunday the run will be to Coney Island. All members who desire to make the run are requested to meet at 23d Street Ferry (New York side). This run will include ladies, and no objection will be raised if members bring more than one. If it rains, then the run does not take place, because it is one of the rules of the club not to attempt long runs on rainy days.

A. QUAD.

DIOCESE OF ALBANY.

NOTICES OF SERVICES, ETC.

Morning prayer will be read at St. Paul's, Troy, at 10:30 A.M., on Sunday June 13.
Evening prayer will be read at St. Paul's, Albany, at 7:30 P.M., on Sunday June 13.
Evening prayer will be read at St. George's, Schenectady, at 8 P.M., on Sunday June 13.
Evening prayer will be read at Amsterdam at 7:30 P.M., on Tuesday, June 15.
There is a meeting of the deaf at St. Paul's parish house, on Jay Street, Albany, every Thursday evening at eight o'clock. All are cordially invited.

The address of the missionary now is 43 Elberon Place, Albany, and all letters for him should be so addressed.

H. VAN ALLEN,
Lay Missionary.

COLLEGE CHRONICLE.

Lessons on "Self-Reliance."

OUTDOOR CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Brevities.

(From our Washington Correspondent.)

The Senior Class had charge of the last concert of the Ephphatha Sunday School, for the present college year. "Self-reliance" was the subject, and the speakers appeared to have had, from the way in which they spoke, a good deal of it during their years' experience in the college. As usual, the pupils from the Kendall School read passage and texts from the Bible and, after the collection was taken, Miss Kershner opened the exercises with a reading of the poem, "The Character of a Happy Life." Mr. Nicholson followed with several good points on the subject. He dwelt on Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress," in which self-reliance plays a very prominent part. Miss Price followed with a story of the youth going through a forest with forty pieces of gold sewed under his waistcoat, and how he converted the robber by his truthfulness, and said that in relying upon ourselves, we must decide for ourselves on which side we shall live—truth or falsehood. Mr. Smielau made the closing remarks, in which he quoted the favorite maxims of some of the world's greatest men, all of which had more or less to do with self-reliance. We must, he said, ourselves *be* and *do*, and not merely rest satisfied with what men have been and done. That it would be well if every man or woman could say as Richter did: "I have made as much out of myself as could be made out from the stuff and no man should require more." That it is every one's duty to discipline and guide himself with God's help according to his responsibilities and the faculties he is endowed with. Samuel Smiles says: "Self-reliance may not, however, end in eminence, but much can be done by elevating the condition of labor by allaying it to noble thoughts which confer a grace upon the lowliest as well as the highest rank." John Hunter: "Is there one whose difficulties dishearten? who bends to the storm? He will do little. Is there one who will conquer? That kind of man never fails. Dr. Fay added that we must remember the passage in the Bible that God helps those who help themselves.

Two lawn tennis and a baseball game for the class championships, furnished the bulk of the amusement of the week just passed. The Sophomore class crossed bats with the "ducks" on the "garlic" grounds, Wednesday, and in a seven-inning game administered a crushing defeat to the feathery tribe. The "Sophs" did as they pleased, and at the close piled up a score of twenty-eight runs. The "ducks," on the other hand, worked like a dollar-a-day laborers, and with the assistance of a "comedy of errors" on the part of the "sophs," outfield, made nine little runs. All honor to the victors. Hats off, gentlemen.

The lawn tennis tournament went to the class of 'ninety-nine, which was represented by Stutsman, the all-around amateur sport of the college. He won six straight sets, the number played by each class individual, and took first prize, a tennis racquet, donated by M. A. Tappan. Rothert played a good game for the Junior Class, and only lost to Stutsman. He took second prize, a pair of bicycle shoes, donated by Hess & Co. Brockhagen represented the Seniors and came out third, with a box of fine stationery given by Brentano.

Over on the other side another tournament is going on, with the odds slightly in favor of Miss Rogers, '99.

Mr. Charles Kerney, '85, entertained the students in the chapel, Friday evening, with an hour of college reminiscences, wit and humor, all the while keeping his audience smiling, then laughing, and lastly roaring. His signs were of the W. G. Jones stamp and all his jokes were first-class. We have had the pleasure of Mr. Kerney's company for the past ten days, and the friendship we have formed with him is a very pleasant one. We congratulate the Indiana School, and Superintendent Johnson also, on the possession of so valuable a teacher. Mr. Kerney attended the Sunday School, picnic and enjoyed it as much as the students and pupils themselves. To-day he leaves for Bear Lithia Springs, Va., and later on he will take a sea-voyage to Europe. We all hope that he will regain his health, that he may continue his

his work towards the intellectual welfare of the deaf in his State.

Our picnic at Marshall Hall was a very pleasant outing. The day was an ideal one for a picnic, and the ride down the Potomac on the steamer "Charles Macalester," was thoroughly enjoyed by all. To the graduating class, however, it reminded them of their closing days, and not a few of them found good reason to regret their approaching leave-taking. A substantial dinner of ham sandwiches, cheese, chicken, pickles, crackers, cakes, bananas and lemonade, furnished amusement for the "inner man," and at a quarter of five the return was made.

Dr. J. C. Gordon has accepted the position offered him some time ago, the superintendency of the Illinois School. We congratulate him, and wish him a successful administration, but regret that the college must lose a valuable member of the faculty. We have no doubt but that his long connection with the college will be of great service to him in his new office.

President Gallaudet has again been heard from. He speaks of having visited the School for the Deaf at Naples and Rome, and adds that he is still meeting with a very pleasant and cordial welcome from everybody he meets.

Mr. Ely won the William E. Fitch prize in Chemistry, at Columbian University—\$150 in gold. We would like to have a bite of it, but think it is too hard to digest.

The swimming-pool opened ten days ago, but, as yet, no one has taken a plunge into the icy waters. From the present condition of the weather, it looks as if no one will take a dive before college closes.

Snielau, '97, went to Philadelphia Thursday, and while there was the guest of the Rev. Mr. J. M. Koehler. He was a visitor at the business meeting of All Souls' Club, and upon invitation of President Zeigler, made a few remarks. Friday he took in the Mt. Airy School and inspected the buildings. He is of the opinion that the buildings are the finest in the country.

Miss Barrager, a teacher in the Fanwood, New York, School, is a visitor, the guest of Miss Martin. They both stopped off at Mt. Vernon on the way to the picnic, and later on joined the crowd.

Mr. H. E. Day, '94, Fellow, is again on the Green. He will make another trip to Europe in a few weeks.

Miss Helen Addison, of Baltimore, Md., took in the Senior Concert, Sunday afternoon. She has been visiting an aunt on I Street.

Mrs. Beadell is in New York, and Miss Grace Gallaudet is visiting her sister, Mrs. Kendall, at Boston. The valedictorian of the graduating class of Columbia University, Mr. Edmund Broadus, is a cousin of Miss Waters, '99.

F. C. S.

NEW HAVEN.

The Greenpoint hearing Y. M. C. A., of Brooklyn, N. Y., had an excursion to New Haven on the steamer "Perseus," of the Iron Steamboat Company, on Memorial Day, May 31st. When the boat arrived at the pier, Messrs. Probst and Taplin were delighted to meet Taplin's mother, his sisters Carrie and Lucy, his brother, Willis, and Miss Wallace, also two pretty Fanwoodites, Miss Edith P. Gray and Miss Maud Gibbs and her aunt. They wandered through the principal streets and also visited Yale University, and enjoyed themselves greatly. At 6 p.m., they left for Brooklyn, N. Y., and arrived safely.

Miss Katie Maloney, of Bridgeport, Ct., returned home on Monday night, after a most delightful visit to her school chum, Miss Mary E. Barrett.

Mr. William Waldron, of Elizabeth, N. J., was up here last Monday. He is pleasantly spending a month's vacation with his brother Albert.

Miss Annie Shea, Miss Annie Murphy and her father, have gone to New York City, where they intend to remain for some days.

Miss Lena G. Burke will leave here next month for Shore Beach, Ct., where she will spend a month's vacation.

J. E. Taplin was at the Yale field to see the ball game between Yale and Princeton. He was glad Yale won.

Mr. Hermann F. Probst, of Bridgeport, Ct., called at the residence of Mrs. Lewis, to see his friend, J. E. Taplin. He remained over night, and returned home after spending a very pleasant time.

Mr. Fred G. Skillin, formerly of Maine, has returned home, after an enjoyable visit to New York, Brooklyn, Coney Island and Newark.

Mr. Patrick F. Williams, of Branford, Ct., visited his friends in New Britain, Ct., on Sunday and spent Memorial Day in Hartford, Ct.

Miss Mary Ratchford, of Worcester, Mass., will be here to spend July, at the residence of Miss Elsie K. Weis.

Mrs. Addie Billings, nee Miss Hall, of Guilford, Conn., will spend a few days with Miss Jennie Robertson, some time in June.

ELLIOT.

ST. LOUIS.

Lecture by Ex-Governor Stone.

ANOTHER RAILROAD VICTIM.

News About the Deaf.

From our St. Louis Correspondent.

The Gallaudet Union had a lecture last Tuesday evening by the Hon. William J. Stone, ex-Governor of Missouri. It was as cool as the center seed of a cucumber, and a very large crowd greeted him.

To be short, his subject on "Missouri" did not contain anything we have not heard of, and the audience was discouraged in consequence. But after this, when he was called upon to say something about bleeding Cuba, a new spirit of enthusiasm pervaded the room, and his remarks elicited vociferous applause, which were sentimental with those before him. He shook hands with everybody before his speedy retreat. As usual, Miss Pearl Herdmann interpreted, and the ex-Governor took occasion to say he could not know if she had "cheated" or strictly followed his words.

Over 130 pupils arrived at the Union Station Wednesday evening from Fulton, and it is estimated that about fifty of our city people were there to see the "gray uniformed brigade." The pupils were in charge of the teachers, Mr. C. R. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Corwin, and Charles N. Grow, Jr.

Mr. Grow, who is the heavy-weight instructor at the Institution, will put up a few days at the Lindell Hotel. On Wednesday, June 16th, he will no longer be in single harness. The bride to be is Miss Rowena Benson, one of his pupils and of this year's graduating class. The happy event will come off at the home of the bride's parents in Annapolis, Md., and all of Mr. Grow's former pupils wish them a rose-colored future.

Mr. Grow's father is the well-known teacher at the Maryland School.

From authentic information gathered Wednesday, it is said that Superintendent Tate was anxious to be superintendent of our school again, and so made his wish known to the Board of Managers. The Board replied that Superintendent Noble McKee is to stay. It is not known why Superintendent Tate wants to get away from his chair in the Minnesota Institution, which pays a better salary.

Another victim of counting ties and the locomotive. Charles Biddle was instantly killed on the Illinois Central last Sunday, near Belleville. He knew the regular train had passed, but it was a special excursion that sent him yonder where he can glide between steel rails no more. The warning whistle had been heard at his home and his relatives instinctively knew it was meant for their son and brother who had gone in the direction of the track a few minutes before. Mr. Biddle is little known here.

The marriage of Mr. James Chenery, of this city, to Miss Rice, will be solemnized on June 30th, at Alpena, Mich. A part of their honeymoon will be spent in Chicago, and they will be at home in Elmdale to receive their friends after July 4th.

J. J. Smith, Jr., youngest son of Mr. J. J. Smith, died last week and was buried from St. Ann's Asylum. Mr. Smith's wife passed away only three months ago.

Rev. J. H. Cloud was in Kansas City, Sunday, and Rev. A. W. Mann held services here.

After Sunday, June 13th, St. Thomas Mission will occupy the beautiful Bofinger Chapel on Thirteenth Street. It is of marble, the altar being imported from Italy.

Last Sunday, Edward Kelling peddled on Miss Gladiator and W. H. Schaub ditto on Miss Columbia, to Mr. and Mrs. Garth's country home, twenty miles away. Their dinner did not make us go hungry for a few days, and we were also treated to cigars made from tobacco raised on the farm. They always entertain in royal Kentucky fashion, and a lawn party is being mapped out, to be given as soon as the watermelons reach the edible point. Nick Zimmerman, of Chicago, is making life easy out there. Well, we were caught the entire distance in a rain, and got home just as if we had been fished out of the river.

Charles Jones attended the graduating exercises of his *Alma Mater* at Jacksonville, Monday, and reports having a fine time.

Christ Church for the Deaf (Rev. Read's) had a strawberry festival on the tapis for last Saturday, at Mr. and Mrs. Udell's house, but it had to be given up on account of sickness in the family.

Col Guss' brothers-in-law have started a large barber supply factory, and the long whiskered son of old Pennsylvania has caught out

the plum as first man in the cabinet-making department.

Mr. and Mrs. Corwin will stay till Monday with Mr. Corwin's brother in the city, before returning to Indianapolis.

Senator Kingsbury, of Illinois, whom "F. P. G." unearthed as one of the supporters of the Bogardus day school bill, has for a son-in-law one of Edward Kelling's brothers. He can not explain the Senator's reasons for voting for the bill, but thinks it is due to meagre knowledge about the sign language, and it is excusable that he should have fallen into the wiles of Misses Washburn and Crane. Mr. Kelling saw him but once.

PHIL DEAN.

BALTIMORE, MD.

The annual meeting of the Board of Visitors to the Maryland School for the Deaf, was held at the institution in Frederick last Tuesday, Mr. Wm. Barry presiding. The annual reports were submitted, showing a year of good work in all the departments. Those in attendance were: President Wm. Barry, John Black, Enoch Hipsley, John R. Shair, H. Clay Naille, and W. W. Taylor, of Baltimore; Granville S. Haines, Carroll County; Spencer C. Jones, Rockville; W. T. Turpin; Queen Anne County; D. J. Cordean, Pocomoke City, S. Snowden Hill; Princess George's County; Dr. Schley, Arthur Potts, Charles Ross, William G. Baker and Henry Williams, of Frederick. Mr. W. R. Barry was re-elected president, and all the old officers and teachers were re-appointed except Miss Barry, who resigned as a teacher. Miss Lowman, a former pupil of the school, and the first deaf-mute lady who graduated at Gallaudet College, has been appointed in her place.

Miss Annie Barry is the daughter of Mr. W. R. Barry. Her service has been of great importance to school. She has been teaching over twenty-two years, unless I err. While riding in a car, yo scribe's sharp eyes (or better than that, blue eyes), caught that talented gentleman on Baltimore Street, and got off and went to surprise him by exclaiming: "Mr. Veditz, I am glad to see you; how are you?" Mr. Veditz and his darling wife came home last Tuesday from Colorado to stay with Mrs. Veditz and her daughter, who have not seen them for two years, during the summer. We are glad to have them among us as they are popular.

Our lay reader, Mr. Whildin is trying to equal Rev. Job Turner as a great traveler. He went to Frederick to visit the Maryland School for the Deaf and enjoyed his trip very much. Rev. Mr. Moylan, as customary, went to Frederick last Friday, on business. Mr. J. A. Branflick, who was to spend his vacation in Eastern Shore and other places for several weeks, came home sooner than he expected. He was called home to work, as E. E. Terrell needed him badly. Mr. Thos. Lamb, of Frankford, came to this city on business, and reported that there would be plenty of peaches on his farm. He expects to make money by selling them. He was at the literary meeting last Wednesday night and enjoyed it.

We will have an excursion down the bay to Bay Ridge, one of our famous resort on Chesapeake Bay, thirty miles from Baltimore, Thursday, June 24th. Tickets, 25 cents. A good time is expected.

Mr. Thos. F. Keelins, of Wilmington, Del., came to this city to find out whether his classmate, Mr. George Leitner, was dead or not! How glad they were to look at each other, for they had not met for many years.

Miss Lola Pettit contemplates making a visit to her classmate, after Lula Hancock, in Virginia, July 2d.

The Maryland School for the Deaf will close on the 16th of June, and will re-open on the 8th or 15th of September.

Messrs. J. Kampe and A. Lingner went crabbing, and got a bushel full of them.

Mr. Faulkner, of Ridgely, is talking of opening a shoe-shop in Delaware, and he came here last week and bought leather, tools, etc.

As soon as the Maryland School for the Deaf closes, Miss Annie Barry and Helen Wells will make a visit to Miss Sarges, of Bonsorbo, before they come here.

Mr. O. J. Whildin is happy, for the Divinity School closed last week. He will graduate next year.

Our Rector, Rev. Powell, was given four months' vacation. During his absence any one who wishes to know anything connected with the Grace P. E. Church, can see Mr. Whildin, who will do anything for him or her.

To-day is hot, cloudy, showery and cool. How strange!

MYRTLE.

Congenial.

"The Bizzlers seem to be a very happy couple."

"Yes; he stutters and she is deaf."—Columbus (Ohio) News.

COLUMBUS.

Homilies for the Homeward Bound.

LOOK OUT FOR THIS BEAT.

News of the Week.

From our Columbus Correspondent.

With Wednesday evening the stars and stripes were hauled down from the main tower of the Institution building, thus indicating that school was no longer in session, and the 415 children, housed during the year, had scattered to their several homes for a three months' recreation.

The final scene in the school routine occurred Wednesday morning, when teachers and pupils assembled in the chapel, and were addressed by the Superintendent and Principal. Superintendent Jones commended the pupils for their good work and behaviour throughout the year. With few exceptions, all had been obedient and studious. He asked all to be helpful to their parents during their stay at home, and lend assistance wherever needed, also to read and study during their leisure, and thus return in the Fall well-prepared to go on with their studies. Also he spoke of the many applications for admission and no room for them, hence it was of the utmost importance for those expecting to return to be promptly on hand on the opening day of school. Unless this was done, they would find themselves cut off from the benefits of the school, and their place given to newcomers.

Principal Patterson spoke on the same topic, and gave the pupils some advice as to their health and mingling with people during vacation. They should not allow their deafness to keep them away from gatherings, but rather join and converse with the hearing all they could. He explained on what conditions promotion cards were given. After chapel, pupils repaired to their school rooms, where those entitled to promotion cards were given them. At 9:30 the school year closed. During the rest of the day every body was busy packing up, and attending to the matters that beset one in the preparation for a journey. Final good-byes were said Wednesday morning, and we trust all reached their homes safely.

Several weeks ago, we mentioned that James Moynihan, claiming to have been educated at the Buffalo and Rochester (New York) Deaf Schools had struck town, and asked assistance to take him to Akron, where he had a friend, who would likely get him employment. He was given work here for a few days, sufficient to earn the needed railroad expenses. From the way he talked, their we had our doubts as to his deserving aid. Instead, when leaving here, of going to Akron, he went to Zanesville, and there met Albert Horn, and soon led him to believe that he was a person needing assistance. He wanted to go to Wheeling, and asked for aid to the amount of \$3.25. Here he went under the name of J. S. Sweeney. Mr. Horn gave him \$3.50, and he was also given assistance by others.

Very likely when he reached Wheeling, he had a prepared story to tell to the deaf in order to fleece them out of enough money to take him to the next point he desired to visit. The deaf are cautioned against him, for he appears really to be a mere dead beat. Mr. Chas. Osburn, of Xenia, was here Sunday, and showed us a letter from Mr. Dick Ellis, in which Mr. Osburn was asked to assist Sweeney or Moynihan, as a person worthy of it. Mr. Osburn is out \$1.50. How much Mr. Ellis gave him, we are not aware. He also stated that this man had been up at Bryan in the northwestern part of the State, and he there met Miss Mary Straw, who recommended the fellow, as in need and worthy of help, to Mr. Ellis. It will not be safe for him to come this way again. If he does he will receive different treatment from what he got before.

The deaf visitors here Sunday were Mr. Albert Horn, of Zanesville. He is a tailor, and belongs to the Union Mission. Annie Brenner of the same place, also working in a tailoring establishment. Charles E. Robbins, of Glen Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Knollman and Dustin Howard, of Cincinnati; Mr. and E. C. Towner, of Cleveland; Mr. Charles Osburn, of Xenia; and Mrs. George Van Doren, of West Carrollton, accompanied by her two eldest children.

The reception and social given by Clonian Society Saturday evening, was a very pleasant affair. The first part was of a literary character, in the chapel, where reports of the doings of the society, were made, followed by a valedictory address by the president, Miss Slava Snyder and a response by Mr. Wm. F. Schneider. The re-

mainer of the evening, was spent down on the B Hall center library socially. Refreshments were served to all in the dining room. The attendance was quite large, and the Home Fund thereby was increased \$17.75.

The wedding of Mr. Wm. Waite and Miss Katie Kayser was solemnized at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Black, on Spring St., Tuesday evening at eight o'clock, and was witnessed by about fifty persons. The room was tastefully arranged with roses and palm plants. Prompt to a second the bride, and groom took their places, and Rev. Benjamin Talbot made them man and wife, after which they received the congratulations and well wishes of their friends. The bride looked lovely and beautiful in a costume of Persian lawn with white ribbon trimmings, and carrying in her left hand a bunch of cream colored roses. The groom wore the conventional black. A collation was afterwards served, and then the invited guests bid the party good-bye. Besides the immediate relatives of the bride and groom present, the following deaf people attended: Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Greener, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Halse, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Neitzling, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hitchcock, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. John Lynn, Mr. R. H. Atwood, Mr. E. T. King, Messrs. Elmer Elsey, Ered. Schwartz and Frank Jones, and Misses Emma Bard, Biggam, Dickson, Dresbach, Nettie Jones, Nora Patterson, Heyl, McRedmond, and Mrs. Beulah Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Wait were well remembered with presents that are serviceable, ornamental and useful. They left the next morning for Chesterville, Morrow Co., where they will go to housekeeping on a farm, and every one of their friends will wish them an abundance of happiness and prosperity. Both received their education at the school here.

Wednesday morning at 4:30 o'clock, all the pupils and such of the officers and teachers who managed to be out of bed, were photographed on the front steps of the main building. It was a home going scene—omnibuses were about the place to indicate it. The picture, if it proves a good one, will form part of next year's report.

A. B. G.

An Epicycle, the Invention of a Deaf-Mute.

W. S. Smith, a deaf-mute who at one time was principal of the deaf-mute school at Salem, is a fertile genius, who drives a thriving trade inventing gopher traps, patent churns, dishwashers and the like. Three years ago Mr. Smith patented a gopher trap, the right to which he sold in Kansas at a good figure. When last heard from, it had not succeeded in exterminating the gophers of the populist state, though it is thought the next census will show a vast decrease in the numbers. Mr. Smith is now about to engage in the manufacture of what he calls Smith's epicycle, and has organized a company for that purpose, in which T. A. Garbade and A. H. Boseow are interested.

Mr. Smith's epicycle is a large wheel eight feet in diameter, with a framework of rods, chains and sprockets adjusted to its inner circumference, wherein the rider is seated to apply the power. This framework is supposed to roll around inside the wheel, and the continual adjustment of the disturbed center of gravity by the force of gravitation, it is said, will impel the machine forward. Mr. Smith says it will make greater speed than the bicycle, and claims that it can be more easily controlled, and that it will be able to jump ditches and other obstructions at which an ordinary machine would balk. The steering, Mr. Smith says, is accomplished by a forklie arrangement, that brings friction to bear upon either side of the wheel at the rider's will, thus giving control and also checking the tendency to fall.

Epicycles, according to Mr. Smith, are now in use in Germany, but he claims that his is a vast improvement upon the German machine. He invented his in England, and has had it patented for some time. The company will begin work on its first epicycle at the carriage factory at Seventeenth and Pettygrove Streets—Portland Oregonian.

An Up-to-Date Deaf-Mute Printer.

HILLSBORO, TEXAS, March 30, 1907.
To the Editor:—How are we to overcome our cheap-john competitors?

Below I give you an example of what often occurs: The city election tickets were let to the lowest bidder to-day. There are to be 10,000. One form contains about 1,500 ones. My calculation on cost was:

Setting six forms at 50 cents each	\$3.00
Paper	1.25
Make-up	.50
Make-ready	.25
Presswork, ink, etc., on 1,700	1.50
Cutting, after printed	.35
	\$7.50

To this I added \$1.50 for profit and made my bid \$9. There were five bids, as follows: \$12, \$8, \$5, and \$4.35. I will add further that I have the only job press in town that will take six forms.

JOE G. BRADLEY, Deaf-Mute.
—Inland Printer.

NEW YORK.

The Outings of the Summer Season.

THE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.

Wheels and Wheelmen--News Notes.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Thos. J. Lounsbury's address is 226 East 59th Street, New York City.

The strawberry festival, last Tuesday evening proved a great affair—indeed one of the old time gatherings, with many of the old familiar faces present, among whom were some from out of town who happened to be in the city. Nearly a full hundred is the attendance figure, and for once it may be said that the ladies were in the majority. Too little credit cannot be bestowed on the committee, for they labored with a zeal that brought about the above happy termination. They were W. S. Abrams, Henry Bettles and Miss M. Jaycox, and were kindly assisted by Mrs. A. A. Barnes, Mrs. Buhle and Miss Berley.

Rev. C. O. Dantzer made a few remarks, upon invitation of the chairman, giving a good story as a starter and ending with a brief reference to the work in his diocese. Rev. Dr. Gallaudet followed, and then Mr. E. A. Hodgson reminded all of the meeting Friday evening, where the St. Ann's-St. Matthew's consolidation question would be discussed.

Prof. Jones caused suspender buttons to fly, with a story of custom house duty evasion by two young Misses. A little one act scene in a barbershop followed, by Messrs. John H. Keiser, Henry Muench and Arthur Izquierdo.

Ice cream and strawberries followed, of course, and not a word can we say against them, nor the cake served with them. Social intercourse ensued, lasting till eleven o'clock.

Five new members were enrolled Sunday and two Monday, making a total of twenty-three. Two more and there will be twenty-five, after which an initiation fee of one dollar will be charged, and the club will be organized on a permanent basis with various committees to look after divergent funds.

In Germany there are several bicycle clubs—the largest having fifty members. We ought to soon catch up.

"Gib," or rather F. P. G., of Chicago, is welcome to all claims he may put forth for the *second* greatest city in America. Our wheelmen are out for fun and profit, and not for glory. By the way, "Gib," how many members has your greatest of all great bicycle clubs?

Last week F. Ecka and George Warren, of Brooklyn Borough, while racing to Coney Island came together and both walked home with their separate wrecks. Warren having a sprained wrist.

There will be a meeting of the vestry and members of St. Ann's and St. Matthew's Churches next Friday evening, June 18th, at the Church of St. John the Evangelist, 11th Street and Waverly Place. It is understood Dr. I. L. Peet will be present to advocate the cause of the deaf against consolidation. With such strong opposition as is now arrayed against the project, coupled with the legal battle yet to come, it is pretty safe to hope the plans will ultimately fall flat.

Morris Marks has departed for Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. H. L. Juhring will leave for the country June 21st, to be gone till September.

Mrs. Hutton was last week bitten by a little dog, but nothing serious is feared.

Twelve members of the Xavier Deaf-Mute Union have been dropped for arrears in dues.

At a meeting held at Isaac Mandel's house on East 51st Street recently, Jacques Loew and Isaac Mandel were admitted members of the Manhattan Literary Association, making a total of nine, with Mr. Basch's resignation not yet accepted.

Mrs. Bertha Marks, mother of Mrs. Alex. Goldfogle, sails on the "Saale" Tuesday morning for Germany, to see her brother, whom she has not seen for thirty-five years. She will be absent about two months. A large number of relatives and friends will assemble at the pier to see her off.

Miss Antusch, of Brooklyn, has gone to Canada for quite a sojourn.

The League of Elect Surds convene in special meeting next Saturday. A full attendance of all members is earnestly requested by the president.

Miss Gussie Berley would like to know the address of Mrs. Edward Halliley, of Paterson, N. J., through the JOURNAL or otherwise.

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TEACHING THE DEAF.

A CONGRESS OF CELEBRATED INSTRUCTORS SOON TO MEET IN LONDON.

LONDON, June 1.—A congress of instructors of the deaf is shortly to meet for the purpose of considering the best methods to be introduced in a college for deaf-mutes about to be established in England, on lines somewhat similar to the famous government institution in Washington, D. C.

The most conspicuous of the foreign delegates to the congress is Dr. E. M. Gallaudet, president of the Washington College for the Deaf, and, while his views are antagonistic to those held by the generality of European instructors, his long experience and skill in this most delicate line of educational work, is so great that it is not improbable that he will eventually win over the congress to his beliefs.

There are two rival methods of teaching the deaf, one the "sign manual," by which the scholars communicate with the fingers, and the other the "oral," by which they read the lips and articulate words. The latter method has been in existence for only a comparatively short time, and is a great advance on the other, which has been in use some 300 years.

In nearly all of the great institutions for the instruction of the deaf the "oral method" is taught to the exclusion of the older system, but Dr. Gallaudet champions a combined system of both the sign manual and oral. His experiences have taught him that many deaf-mutes cannot be thoroughly taught the oral system, and, consequently, are severely handicapped in the struggle for existence. This class of unfortunates, he claims, would be greatly benefited if taught the sign manual; in fact, he believes that all of the afflicted should be instructed in both systems.

The members of the congress do not speak of their pupils as deaf-mutes. They refer to them simply as the deaf. There are 15,000 deaf persons in England and 40,000 in the United States, but not one is 500 is really incapable of speech. The deaf are mute because they have been born deaf, or lost the sense of hearing before the acquisition of speech. Without the guidance of hearing in the imitation of sound speech cannot be acquired. Absolutely dumb persons are rarely found, even in the great colleges for the deaf. But speech is a power which the deaf do not know they possess. It is to teach them the value of this power and to show them how to exercise it that the oral system was invented and perfected, in Germany and Holland, some thirty odd years ago.

One of the first to make use of it was William Van Praagh, of Rotterdam, and he was induced to come to England in 1867 by the late Baroness Mayer de Rothschild, mother of the late Countess of Rosebery. To-day Mr. Van Praagh is the leading authority on instruction of the deaf in England, and he is still the active head of the most important of London's schools, located at 11 Fitzroy Square.

The first institution established by the Baroness de Rothschild was confined to the deaf children of the Jewish poor, and the pure oral method was employed. After three years of work the success was so marked that the baroness determined to establish a large institution for the deaf of all creeds. This was in 1870, and two years later a training college for teachers of the oral method was annexed to the school.

The utility of the Fitzroy Square institution soon became so convincing that royalty took it under its patronage, and similar schools were rapidly established in various centers of the kingdom. Now a large percentage of the English deaf are not only able to talk, but to understand the speech of others and to acquire the necessary education for making their own way in the struggle for existence.

In the oral method the deaf child, whose training may best be commenced at the age of 6 or 7, learns four things at once. The teacher, being careful to face the light, pronounces a sound, which the deaf child is taught to imitate by sight and touch—the child speaks; the child is taught to recognize the sound on his teacher's lips—he lip-reads (or hears with his eyes); by means of the blackboards he is taught the sound in letters—he reads; the child imitates upon his slate the letters that his teacher has put upon the board—he writes.

The first thing taught the young child is to breathe properly—that is, to breathe like people who exercise the power of speech. The pupil is taught to inhale and to exhale, the latter object being attained in the form of a game at which the children blow round the sails of a little windmill, and great fun it seems to them.

All the time the teacher keeps their attention on her face, and talks to them, for these little mites, though as yet unable to lip-read, like young babes, understand by intuition much that is said to them. This is called synthetic lip-reading; at the order, "Open the door," spoken without any glance

in that direction, they run and do so at once; or such commands as "Sit down," "Stand up," they understand without any accompanying sign.

Having been taught to breathe properly, they are taught by imitation to produce particular sounds after their teacher; for this the sense of touch is requisitioned to assist the sight, inasmuch as every word we utter produces vibration of the face and throat as well as of the lips, and can be felt at the top of the head or at the epiglottis, chest and throat.

So the little ones try to imitate their teacher, with hands placed upon his throat, while the others stand and watch; these sounds are continually practiced until all can repeat them properly, while the teacher from time to time regains their wandering attention by stamping his feet upon the floor, which vibration is instantly felt and understood by the class.

Next the vowel sounds are taught, and the children repeat a, e, i, o, u, until they can enunciate them perfectly. Then they are taught the consonants, but phonetically merely, that, in the form of a slight hiss, not Bee, Cee, Dee, as we learn our alphabet by means of letters, for, taught so to the deaf, B-U-T (but) would always remain BEE-U-TEE, so that phonetic spelling benefits the deaf more than any class.

Once the rudiments are acquired, the pupils move with greater rapidity through the various studies, arithmetic, history, geography and kindred subjects.

While all instructors agree that the older method, the sign and manual, is of use under some conditions, for instance, when a deaf person has to converse in the dark, when he cannot hear with his eyes, it is claimed that where it is taught in conjunction with the oral method a child will favor the sign system, as it calls for less mental effort and vigilance.—The Evening Wisconsin, June 8.

COMMITTEE REPORT.

DEAR EDITOR:—As the Ladies' Committee on the Communion Service set presentation to the Rev. D. Chamberlain desire to gratify the subscribers, you will please find space in the JOURNAL to make known the list enclosed herein, and oblige

COMMITTEE.

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SERVICES FOR DEAF-MUTES. JUNE 20th.

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY, 3 P.M.

St. Ann's in Church of St. John the Evangelist, N. Y.
Rev. C. Orvis Dantzer officiating.

St. Mark's Church, Adelphi Street, Brooklyn.

Trinity Church, Newark, Holy Communion.

St. Mark's Church, Tarrytown.

St. Paul's Church, Bridgeport.

St. Paul's Church, New Haven, 7:30.

Deaf-Mutes of the State of New York, will greatly encourage the Gallaudet Home for Deaf-Mutes by sending donations of one dollar each to Rev. Thomas Gallaudet, D.D., 114 West 13th St., New York

WANTED.

HEARING MAN, unmarried, thirty-years of age and in good health desires position as teacher of the deaf. Has had nine years practical experience in State Schools with all grades. Will furnish highest references regarding character and ability. Correspondence invited. Address "Energy," care of DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL. 24-4in.

Empire State Association of Deaf-Mutes.

The Convention of the Empire State Association of Deaf-Mutes will be held in the Parish House of Christ Church, Binghamton, on Friday and Saturday, July 23d and 24d, 1897.

Binghamton is a very pretty, well laid city, situated at the conjunction of the Susquehanna and Chenango Rivers, and it is surrounded by lovely hills. It has excellent railroad facilities. The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western and the Erie Roads are the two great thoroughfares between Buffalo and New York City; branches of the former are run from Oswego, Syracuse and Utica, while the latter makes close connection at Elmira with its road to Rochester, (or the shorter route, via the Northern Central Railway.) The Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.'s line from Albany has several trains a day. Connections are easily made with the Lehigh Valley Railroad at Waverly and Cortland. There are plenty of trains running every day, and those desiring to return home Saturday night or the next day will find several trains to choose from.

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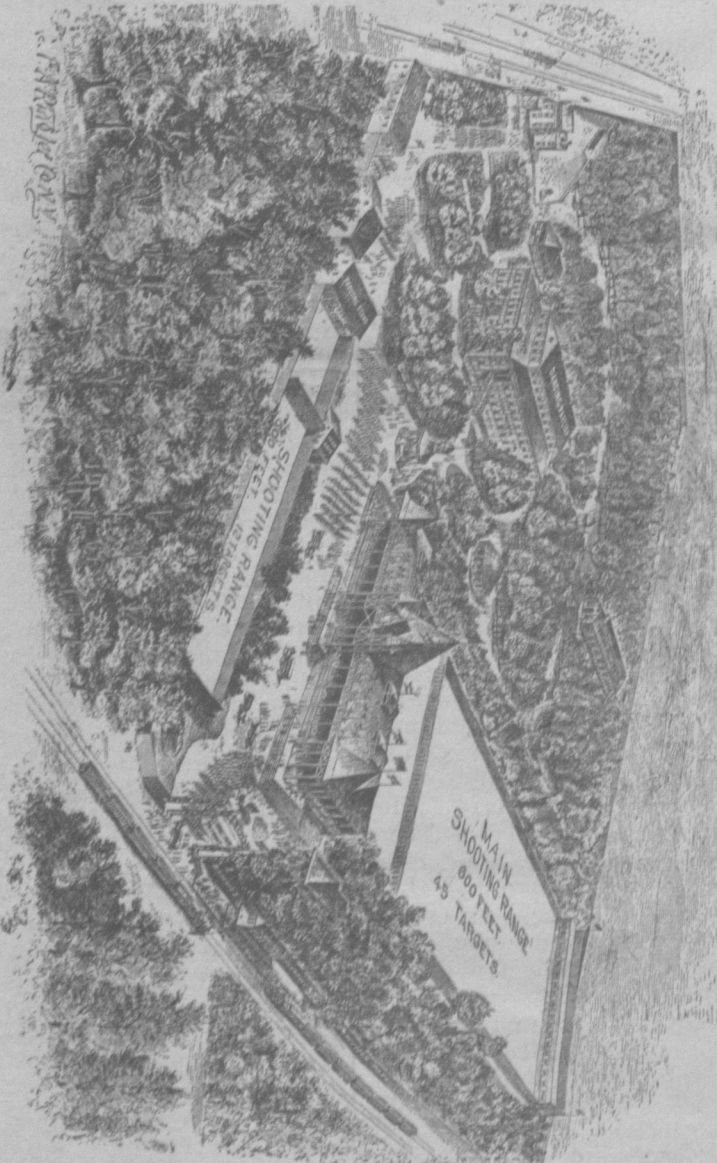
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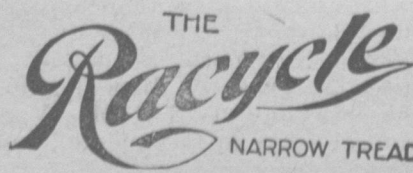
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